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REPORT

OF THE

PENNSYLVANIA
HOME TEACHING SOCIETY

AND

FREE CIRCULATING

LIBRARY

FOR THE BLIND

(INCORPORATED)

1915

READING FOR THE BLIND, BY W. MOON, LL.D.





INSTRUCTIONS.—In teaching the alphabet, be careful to explain the alterations made in the letters, as indicated by the dotted lines. Show the rules above the alphabet. The teacher should always guide the beginners of his right hand straight along the line, pointing up and down the letter. The hand has a wrist from left to right, and the second joint right to left, to prevent the fingers losing its place. The thumb guide the finger from type to line. Words reading to

leg, *meat*, *fire*, and *iron* are the last letter put at the whole syllable, as *g* for legs; *t* for meat; *n* for iron etc., one above the others, giving notice of the construction. The first letters of *Lord*, *God*, *Jesus*, and *Christ*, also stand for their holy names. Two dots, also by adds, are used for a full stop, a single dot for very shorter stop. Verses are divided by two short lines, one above the other.

NOTE.—The *italicized initials* in the black-printed letters placed over the alphabet show what portions of the common letter are taken away in order to let the Characters show and clear to the touch of the Blind.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N
O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z &

CLASSIFIED ALPHABET.

AA CC EE II NN PP  6
 VV DD JJ MM TT ZZ  8
 KK UU LL  7
 XX WW GG YY RR OO  9

EVEN NUMERALS.

ODD NUMERALS.

THE LORD'S PRAYER.

[illegible]

Published by Moom's Society for Embossing and Circulating Books, &c., for the Blind, 104, Queen's Road, Brighton, Sussex, England.
Also to be had at the Bible Society House, Seventh & Walnut, Philadelphia, U.S. and the Free Library 1217, Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, U.S.

THE PENNSYLVANIA HOME TEACHING SOCIETY AND FREE CIRCULATING LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND.

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REORGANIZED 1898.

INCORPORATED 1901.

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1898

1914

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF THE
PENNSYLVANIA HOME TEACHING SOCIETY AND FREE
CIRCULATING LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND.

READ AT THE ANNUAL MEETING
HELD IN THE NEW CENTURY DRAWING ROOM, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

JANUARY 28, 1915.

JOHN THOMSON, Litt. D., A. M., IN THE CHAIR.

AS the title of this Society suggests, its object is to search out the blind of Pennsylvania in their homes, to teach them to read, and to supply them and other blind persons in the United States with a constant exchange of embossed literature, free of all charges.

The Board of Managers, in reviewing the work of the past year, congratulates the subscribers to this Society upon the fact that each month has shown a steady progress made in the number of blind persons benefited by the lessons in reading given by the teachers and the number of embossed books loaned.

During the past year the four teachers employed (two of whom are totally without sight and two have partial sight) have made 5526 visits to blind persons, 144 new pupils have been taught, and, in addition, lessons in knitting, crocheting, sewing with the use of the self-threading needle, Braille and pencil-writing have been added to the lessons in reading with the finger tips.

Perhaps it is not generally known that there are at least 6000 blind persons in the State of Pennsylvania. Of this number about 460 are children in the two schools for the blind, which leaves 5540 to be reached by our teachers. Of the figures just quoted fully 1500 are in Philadelphia and 75 of these are in the Philadelphia Almshouse. As the great majority of our pupils are in middle or advanced life and have at one time seen to read, it is natural that they should prefer the Moon type; but the teachers always leave them to make the choice, and after the finger tips have been trained by learning Moon type, pupils can occasionally be induced to try the more difficult dotted systems. Mr. Moore and Miss Howland continue to teach the adult blind in this city in their homes and the hospitals and various institutions where the blind are to be found.

Our teachers occasionally teach children to read whilst they are awaiting admission to the splendidly equipped School for the Blind at Overbrook, and also those who are not eligible for admission owing to some mental deficiency which does not prevent them from learning to read. Several of such cases have been undertaken at the request of the Board of Compulsory Education, although our work is essentially for the adult blind.

Miss Quirk, who is located in the western part of the State, has been engaged during the past year in teaching the blind of the city of Pittsburgh and in Allegheny, Fayette, Westmoreland, Lawrence and Beaver Counties. Miss Dungan's work has been in the nearer counties of Bucks, Berks and Carbon. These counties have been thoroughly covered, and this teacher is now located in Delaware County.

It must be remembered that when the teachers have covered their allotted territory, new cases of blindness through age, illness or accident develop in the counties first visited by them, so that the work of Home Teaching is practically perpetual.

The circulation of embossed books has largely increased during the past year amongst the 745 readers enrolled, and 166 new readers were added to the number borrowing embossed books. From the Free Library of Philadelphia—where the Society's Library is deposited—21,974 volumes were circulated during 1914, as shown by the following table:—



THE LATE
MISS ADELAIDE E. C. MOON

who was successor to her father, Dr. William Moon, in conducting his Work for the Blind at Brighton, England, until her death on November 12th, 1914.

American Braille, .	4,074 volumes
English Braille, .	159 volumes
Line Letter, . . .	22 volumes
Moon Type, . . .	16,971 volumes
New York Point, .	748 volumes

Total, . . . 21,974 volumes

From the Carnegie Library at Pittsburgh 5,149 embossed books were circulated in 1914 (of these 2118 were in Moon type), making a total distribution from the two libraries of 27,123. Of these embossed books, no less than 19,089 were in Moon type—for types may come and types may go, but Moon type will go on forever. That it has stood the test of over sixty years' use and is daily growing in popularity wherever it becomes known is a proof of its great value to the adult blind.

The Board of Managers records once more its grateful thanks to the Trustees of the Free Library of Philadelphia, to Dr. John Thomson, the Librarian, and to Mrs. Liborio Delfino, who is in charge of the Department for the Blind, for the valuable aid afforded by them in the circulation of the Society's books.

The Free Library distributes the Society's books to the blind of Philadelphia without charge, but this Home Teaching Society is responsible for the cost connected with the circulation of its books beyond the city's boundaries.

The Board desires also to express its indebtedness to Mr. Harrison W. Craver, the Librarian of the Carnegie Library in Pittsburgh, to Miss Jessie Welles, the Superintendent of Circulation, and to Miss Winifred Riggs, First Assistant, for their continued interest and practical help in the cause, in storing and distributing the embossed books belonging to this Society, and by supervising the work of the Society's Home Teacher in the western part of the State.

During the past year numerous inquiries from all parts of the United States have been received at the Society's office regarding the simple Moon embossed type. In all cases encouraging letters, alphabets, first lesson sheets and beginners' books have been sent, with the result that most of the correspondents have become readers and borrowers of embossed books.

Your Secretary was invited as a delegate to attend the International Conference on the Blind, held in London last June, and to read a paper on "Blindness in Adult Life." Circumstances preventing her from attending, a paper which had been prepared and read by her at the Conference of the American Association of Workers for the Blind, held in Washington, D. C., in April, was sent to London and was read at the Conference. Your Secretary also attended a Conference on Charities and Correction, held in Carlisle, Pa., in October last.

As an outcome of the Home Teaching and Library work which Dr. William Moon, of England, and his daughter started in this city in 1882, with the valuable and whole-hearted aid of the late Mr. John P. Rhoads, of

the Bible House, Home teaching work is now carried on in New York City and State, in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Cincinnati, San Francisco and other places, and librarians of several public libraries have provided departments for the blind. Readers in those sections of the country who apply to us for embossed books are referred to those libraries, but always with the privilege of drawing from our Society's Library any embossed book which cannot be obtained elsewhere.

From the Department for the Blind of the New York Public Library 5510 volumes in Moon type were loaned during 1914, and from the Library of Sacramento, California, 4087 volumes in Moon type were also loaned last year. This demand for embossed books is chiefly due to Home Teaching, without which the great majority of the blind would remain in ignorance of the fact that with a little training they can be taught to read for themselves.

A review of the work of our Society for the past thirty-three years shows the sure and steady growth of an oak tree. Man—a blind man—planted the seed, and man watered it, but God is giving the increase. He has given strength to the workers; He has put it into the hearts of the benevolent to aid this most worthy cause, and to Him we owe our grateful thanks.

The work of Home Teaching is exacting and arduous, but, as our teachers would tell you, it is full of compensations. Accurate statistics are necessary in all philanthropic work—but no statistics can show what our teachers put into their work, for to the faithful, conscientious teacher his or her calling is a consecration, and our teachers are both faithful and conscientious. Often they are able to encourage their pupils to resume the occupations followed when the sight was good, to advise them in household matters and how to find employment. In the Blind Men's Working Home, the Industrial Home for Blind Women, and the Chapin Memorial Home for Aged Blind—three institutions in this city—are inmates who were first taught by our teachers to read, and then, through the teacher's efforts, admission to these homes was secured for them.

With the opening of the latter half of the nineteenth century appeared two of the most important means of ameliorating the condition of the adult blind—who are so greatly in the majority—the Workshop, and the Home Teaching of Reading, which were introduced almost simultaneously.

The Association for the General Welfare of the Blind, founded in London, England, in 1856, by Miss Gilbert, provided the prototype of the best kind of workshops for the blind which are to be found anywhere today, and the Home Teaching Society for the Blind in London, founded by Dr. William Moon and Miss Graham in 1855, was the pioneer Home Teaching Society throughout the world. At the present time in England and Wales alone there are more than 80 Home Teaching Societies and 52 workshops for the blind, quite distinct from the many schools and institutions there. There are also 62 societies in England and Wales which assist the blind with pensions, the oldest society dating back as far as 1718.

When we consider that the territory of Pennsylvania is equal to that of the whole of England, where there are nearly 80 Home Teaching Societies, we have reason to congratulate ourselves that with but four teachers we are able to accomplish so much good, but we need more teachers to find out the adult blind, who from their darkened world are reaching out wistful fingers, longing to be taught a raised type and read for themselves the cheering and inspiring messages to be found in the printed pages of good authors. It is the shut-in, retiring, sightless person, who takes a back seat in the busy home life—the invalid, the incapacitated—that we wish to reach, until every blind man and woman in every town, village and hamlet of this great State has been given an opportunity to learn to read.

The Board of Managers is happy to state that the Special Fund created by Mrs. L. Webster Fox in 1911, to present our readers annually with a new work in Moon type as a Christmas gift, enabled us last year to emboss "The Letters of a Self-Made Merchant to his Son," by George Horace Lorimer. The amount derived from the appeal made last November will

be devoted to stereotyping another book, the title of which has not yet been decided upon.

Through the kindness of Miss Margaret W. Elder this Society has been able to add to its collection of embossed books "Glimpses through Life's Window, etc.," by the Rev. Dr. J. R. Miller.

The blind and their friends, desiring to have a lasting memorial of some kind to the late Dr. Robert C. Moon, contributed to the stereotyping of "The Crown of Individuality," by William George Jordan, a book read by Dr. Moon in his last illness. The Board desires to express its thanks to Mr. John E. Baird, Mr. Charles Gimbel and Mr. J. T. M., for their subscriptions to six copies of the Moon Magazine as a gift to six blind readers.

It is the hope of the Board of Managers that many subscribers may add to our Library of books, either by contributing liberally to the Publication Fund or by ordering some new work stereotyped. This can be done at the half cost of 75 cents per large embossed page—The Moon Society in England, a purely philanthropic society, meeting the other half cost.

It is with deep sorrow that the Board chronicles the loss by death of Judge William N. Ashman, its honored first President, Dr. Robert C. Moon, its first Secretary, and also that of Miss Adelaide E. C. Moon, who, although residing in England and not a member of our Board, had for many years acted as a valuable coadjutor to her brother.

The minutes adopted by the Pennsylvania Home Teaching Society for the Blind on the deaths of Judge Ashman on October 13th, of Dr. Robert C. Moon on February 13th, and of Miss Moon on November 12th, record the long and invaluable services rendered by them to this Society and the high esteem in which they were held by their associates; and the Memorial Meeting, which was held last May under the auspices of this Society, testified in some measure to the deep respect and great affection held for Dr. Moon by the blind and by all who knew him.

Upon the death of Judge Ashman, Mr. John E. Baird, First Vice-President, was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy of President; and when Dr. Robert C. Moon died, Mrs. Isabel W. Kennedy was elected Secretary in his place.

Mr. Baird has, however, resigned on account of making his home in future for the greater part of the year in Honolulu, but we are glad to retain him as a member of the Board, and we are confident that distance will not lessen the deep and practical interest he has always shown in the work of this Society since he was elected Vice-President in May, 1898.

It is with deep regret that the Board has been called upon to accept the resignations of Mrs. Benlah M. Rhoads and Miss Sarah Nicholson, and it wishes to record its sincere appreciation and hearty thanks to these ladies for the valuable services and liberal support which they have rendered to the Society since it was reorganized in 1898.

The Board of Managers wishes to offer its hearty thanks to the following donors of embossed volumes and pamphlets to the Library of this Society: Mr. William H. Schell; Mr. F. P. Demier; The Philadelphia Bible Society; The Bible Training School, Massachusetts; The American Bible Society, New York City; The Ziegler Publishing Company; The New York Association for the Blind; The Pennsylvania Institution for the Blind at Overbrook; The Pennsylvania Institution for the Blind at Pittsburgh, and the Holmes-Schenley Literary Society of that Institution.

The Board also extends its thanks to the authors and publishers who have kindly granted permission for the reproduction of books in Moon type during the past year, and to Mr. E. C. Eachel, of New York, for the liberal donation of a much-needed typewriter.

PUBLICATION FUND.

The Board of Managers hopes that a special effort will be made during the year to largely increase the Publication Fund of \$100,000 in order that it may become available for use.



THE LATE ROBERT C. MOON, M. D.

FIRST SECRETARY

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When we realize that it costs the taxpayers of this State of Pennsylvania \$5,332,307 annually for the care of its insane, whose insanity can be traced directly to the use of alcohol, it seems a small thing to ask for \$100,000 for a fund, from the interest of which to stereotype each year new and interesting books, to keep the minds of our sane, blind citizens occupied and to save them from brooding over their deprivation of sight.

All text books used in the schools for the blind are in one or other of the dotted systems, and, as there are very large funds available for these books, there is consequently a great number of them published annually; but there is no fund of any kind in the United States available for Moon type books until we get ours completed. Moon type is stereotyped and embossed in Brighton, England, as a philanthropy—no profit of any kind has ever accrued to the Moon family or Society for embossing that type.

This Home Teaching Society at the present time owns 3254 embossed books, 2757 of which are in the Moon type. Every one of these books is eagerly read and re-read by our sightless friends—a striking contrast to many of our sighted citizens who own handsome libraries of beautifully bound books which are seldom, if ever, opened.

Most of our readers are discriminating in their literary tastes, and would gladly welcome additional works of humor, historical novels and good short stories. When each word is read with the finger tips, the book must be worth while or the disappointment of the reader is great.

It is earnestly hoped that at the next Annual Meeting the Board will have the great pleasure of announcing the completion of the Publication Fund of \$100,000.

ISABEL W. KENNEDY,
Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HOME TEACHING SOCIETY AND
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617 WITHERSPOON BUILDING, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The Annual Report would perhaps not seem complete without one or two very short extracts from the large number of letters of grateful thanks which are constantly being received from our readers.

"My father, W. J., wishes me to write you how much he enjoys the embossed books. He greatly appreciates the privilege, and you cannot realize how much it means to him. He is seventy-four years old and totally deaf and blind. He reads only the Moon type, as he found Braille too hard. He has been blind seven years, and they would have been long, dreary years without his books."

Mrs. G. R. writes: "I can never give adequate expression to the degree of comfort and joy I have found in the Holy Scriptures since I learned to read them in the Moon type. This was fifteen years ago, and I have no desire to use any of the other types, although I have looked into them. The simplicity of this type satisfies me. I am just entering on my seventieth year and the seventeenth year of my blindness. I can truly say, however, that owing to the Moon type they have been the happiest years in my life."

T. C. C. writes: "On behalf of my uncle, T. C., I am glad to tell you that he is more than pleased with the instruction he has received in the Moon type from your teacher, Mr. Moore. Although uncle has been studying only a few weeks he can read well and passes many a pleasant hour, and wishes to thank you a thousand times for your kindness in sending a teacher. We hope and pray for your success in making others happy."

In a letter from Spokane, Washington, received last week, the writer says: "Mr. K. greatly enjoyed your Christmas Greeting card in Moon type. He says it was the first reading he had done in nineteen years. It meant so much to him."

Mr. W. H. C. wrote: "In two lessons I was able, with the help of your faithful and efficient teacher, Miss Dungan, to read the Moon type. This has been the means of my being able to pass many an hour in contentment that otherwise would have been spent in anxiety and worryment. Only one who is deprived of his eyesight can appreciate the good and noble work of your Society."

Contributions to the funds of "The Pennsylvania Home Teaching Society and Free Circulating Library for the Blind" will be thankfully received by
JOHN J. WILKINSON, Esq., *Treasurer*,
505 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

An embossed alphabet and first lesson sheet, and a catalogue of embossed books will be forwarded upon application.

Correspondence should be addressed to

MRS. ISABEL W. KENNEDY, *Secretary*,
617 Witherspoon Building,
1319 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

APPLICATIONS FOR LOANS OF EMBOSSED BOOKS from the Library of the Pennsylvania Home Teaching Society for the Blind should be made to

JOHN THOMSON, Litt. D., A. M.
Librarian of the Free Library of Philadelphia,
Department for the Blind, 204 South 13th Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Names and addresses of blind persons should be sent to the Secretary, Mrs. Isabel W. Kennedy, 617 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Annual Meeting of the Society was held in the New Century Drawing Room, Twelfth Street, above Walnut, Philadelphia, Thursday evening, January 28, 1915. The following programme was given:

PROGRAMME

John Thomson, Litt. D., A. M., in the Chair

Invocation Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley, B. D.

Opening Remarks by the Chairman

Songs Mrs. James M. Anders

- (a) "J'ai Pleuré en Rêve"—*George Hue*
- (b) "The Year's at the Spring"—*Mrs. H. H. A. Beach*
- (c) "Somewhere a Voice is Calling"—*Arthur F. Tate*

Secretary to Read Annual Report

Treasurer's Report

Address Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley, B. D.

Songs Miss Ruth M. Buck

- (a) "A Little Pink Rose"—*Carrie Jacobs Bond*
- (b) "Will 'o the Wisp"—*Spross*

Election of Officers

Song Miss Ruth M. Buck

"Kisses"—*Bemberg*

Lantern Slides Illustrating the Work of the Society

Benediction Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley, B. D.

Soloists

Mrs. James M. Anders Miss Ruth M. Buck

Accompanist

Mr. Henry L. Lukens

1914. STATEMENT OF THE TREASURER.

Balance January 1, 1914, \$862 22

RECEIPTS.

To cash received as follows :

Appropriation from State of Pennsylvania,	\$4,005 22	
Annual Contributions,	644 00	
Direct Subscriptions,	602 50	
Subscriptions to Publication Fund,	500 00	
Special Subscriptions for publication of new books, viz. :		
Mrs. Fox's Fund,	\$143 55	
Miss Margaret W. Elder, for half cost of stereotyping		
" Your Own Cross the Best,"	10 00	153 55
Income from investments, rents and interest on deposits, viz. :		
Publication Fund,	\$73 07	
General Fund,	276 11	349 18
Received for embossed alphabets, etc.,		12 93
Income from Farr Estate,		27 33
Rents from 3710 Brown Street,		42 68
Mortgage Trust Company, on account of principal of capital stock,		80 00
Cash returned by Miss Quirk,		51
Interest on Deposit, United Security Co.,		10 55
Temporary loan from Treasurer,		15 00
Cash received from blind reader to replace lost magazine,		50
Cash transferred from Western Saving Fund to meet current		
expenses,	100 00	6,543 95
		<u>\$7,406 17</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries and Teachers' traveling expenses,	\$3,298 02
Free Library for services to December 31, 1914,	375 00
Purchase of new books, duties, etc,	510 33
Moon Society, for half cost of stereotyping " Letters of a Self-	
Made Merchant to his Son, (Mrs. Fox's Fund),	\$200 00
Moon Society, for half cost of stereotyping " Your Own Cross	
the Best,"	8 76
	208 76
Advertising,	15 00
Fire Insurance Premiums (1914 and 1915,)	63 00
Binding,	38 44
Printing and stationery,	360 85
Paper,	85 63
Postage,	116 83
Rent of Office,	324 00
Petty cash for office expenses,	410 00
Furniture and Office Furnishings,	3 16
Expenses of Annual Meeting, 1914,	100 00
Account of rent of room for Annual Meeting, 1915,	10 00
Engrossing Resolutions—Dr. Moon, Judge Ashman and Miss Moon, .	21 00
Sundries,	53 22
Loan to Treasurer repaid,	15 00

The following deposits, interest and transfer of cash were made, viz. :

To Philadelphia Saving Fund : Account Publication Fund, \$1,015 50	
Interest on same,	28 07
To Western Saving Fund : Investment Account,	
Interest on same,	18 51
Amount Principal, Mortgage Trust Co. Stock,	80 00
	1,142 08
	7,150 32
Balance,	\$255 85
	<u>\$7,406 17</u>

TREASURER'S STATEMENT—*Continued.*

NOTE.—The Cash Account of the Treasurer now owes:

To Investment Account, General Fund,	\$495 12	
To Mrs. Fox's Special Fund,	181 33	
To "David Copperfield" Fund,	37 53	\$713 98
Deduct the above balance,		255 85
And there is still a deficit, due to General Fund Account, of		<u>\$458 13</u>

PUBLICATION FUND.

Balance as per last report,	\$2,383 66	
Subscriptions during 1914,	500 00	
Interest on deposits and investments during 1914,	73 07	
Balance,		<u>\$2,956 73</u>

Made up as follows:

Investment — \$1,500, City of Philadelphia 3%, at cost	\$1,438 12	
Investment — \$1,000 Mortgage 4909 Saybrook Street,	1,000 00	
Cash in Philadelphia Saving Fund,	518.61	<u>\$2,956 73</u>

INVESTMENTS.

GENERAL FUND.

\$1,000 Schuylkill Electric Railway 6's,	\$1,000 00
\$1,000 Fort Pitt Traction Company 5's,	1,040 00
2 shares Mortgage Trust Company (in liquidation)	000 00
One-third interest in receipts of Farmers' Loan and Trust Company for debenture bond No. 35, for \$1000, reduced to \$400, and No. 59, for \$1000, reduced to \$250, New England Loan and Trust Co., Estate Emma S. Farr, appraised at	50 00
One-third interest in certain remaining collateral belonging to New England Loan and Trust Co., debenture coupon 6's (Real Estate Trust Company, trustee), Farr Estate, appraised at	00 00
One-third interest in 5 shares American Buttonhole Machine Co., Farr Estate, appraised at	00 00

[The securities above described in Estate of Emma S. Farr are held by the Board of Education of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, under an agreement in possession of Philadelphia Trust Company.]

Interest in Estate of John C. Farr, deceased, being one-third of interest of Emma S. Farr in sum set apart to meet annuity of Mary G. Farr after her death—Girard Trust Company, trustee,	00 00
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One-third interest in real estate 3710 Brown Street, from estate of Emma S. Farr, assessed at \$3000.

First Mortgage, premises 2521 North Front Street,	1,800 00
First Mortgage, premises 422 Earlham Street,	1,600 00
Amount due by Corporation, being amount advanced account of current expenses in 1912 and 1914,	495 12
Balance cash in Western Saving Fund,	143 52

Total Investment Account,	<u>\$6,128.64</u>
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JNO. J. WILKINSON,
Treasurer.

January 1, 1915.

Audited and found correct, and securities produced by Treasurer.

R. H. THOMAS, JR.,
THOS. W. SPARKS,
Auditors.

January 15, 1915.

PETTY CASH ACCOUNT OF LATE SECRETARY DR. MOON

FROM JANUARY 1, 1914, TO FEBRUARY 13, 1914.

1914					
Jan.	1,	Cash in hands of Dr. Moon, Secy.,	\$1 05	To Postages, Messengers, Telephone Messages, and Telegrams, . . .	\$41 18
Jan.	16,	By Cash from Treasurer, . . .	60 00	To extra office assistance,	17 25
		By Cash received from Treasurer.	3 43	Balance in hand February 13, 1914,	7 05
		Box Fund, . .	1 00		
			<u>\$65 48</u>		<u>\$65 48</u>

ISABEL W. KENNEDY, *Secretary*.

Accepted and approved at regular Board Meeting, March 25, 1914.

PETTY CASH ACCOUNT OF SECRETARY FROM FEBRUARY 13, 1914, TO DECEMBER 31, 1914.

1914				
Feb. 25,	Balance in hands of Mrs. Kennedy, Secretary, from late Secretary's account,	\$7 05	To Postages, Bell Telephone Co., and Telegrams,	\$144 42
Feb. 10,	By Cash from Treasurer, . . .	25 00	To Typewriting and Stenography, including bills for November, December and January, and \$16.00 for extra office service on death of Secretary, .	80 34
Feb. 18,	By Cash from Treasurer, . . .	25 00	To Office Supplies and Supplies for Teachers,	51 33
Mar. 20,	By Cash from Treasurer, . . .	75 00	To renovating office furniture and typewriter table,	17 08
April 28,	By Cash from Treasurer, . . .	50 00	To newspapers, books and magazines (including bill for 1913),	9 00
June 11,	By Cash from Treasurer, . . .	25 00	Cash paid to Treasurer, received from sales of Alphabets, etc., . . .	6 73
July 24,	By Cash from Treasurer, . . .	25 00	To Balance in hands of Secretary, December 31, 1914,	16 64
Sept. 10,	By Cash from Treasurer, . . .	50 00		
Nov. 19,	By Cash (refund)	5 00		
Dec. 9,	By Cash from Treasurer, . . .	25 00		
	By sales of alphabets, etc., during 1914:			
	In stamps, \$6.76			
	In cash, . 6.73	13 49		
		\$325 54		\$325 54

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January 15, 1915.

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ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

January, 1914.

7, Mr. John E. Baird, . .	\$50 00
12, Miss Marcellina Fassett, . .	5 00
13, Miss Sarah Nicholson, . .	5 00
14, Mr. George Vaux, . . .	10 00
14, Mr. Charles W. Pickering, Jr.,	5 00
14, Mrs. Francis Forbes Milne,	5 00
14, Mr. Edward Stern, . .	10 00
14, Mrs. E. H. Taylor, . .	2 00
14, Miss Helen Smyth, . .	10 00
14, Miss Mary E. Santee, . .	10 00
14, Mrs. James D. Winsor, . .	2 00
14, Mr. Jos. G. Rosengarten, . .	10 00
14, Mr. P. N. Kraybill, . .	1 00
14, Mr. Albert Wolf, . . .	10 00
14, Mrs. Dillwyn Wistar, . .	5 00
14, Mr. Samuel Snellenburg, . .	10 00
14, Mr. Moyer Fleisher, . .	5 00
14, Miss Anna Morris . . .	3 00
14, Hon. J. Willis Martin, . .	10 00
15, Mr. Elliston P. Morris, . .	10 00
15, Miss Margaret Clyde, . .	5 00
15, Mrs. F. W. Morris, . .	5 00
16, Miss Harriet K. Howell, . .	2 00
16, Mrs. John B. Gest, . .	10 00
16, Mrs. William Hill, . .	5 00
19, Miss Mabel L. H. Thomas . .	15 00
17, Mr. Wm. J. Dawson, . .	2 00
17, Miss Mary S. Geiger, . .	5 00
17, Mr. T. Morris Perot, Jr. . .	10 00
17, Ketterlinus Lithographic Mfg. Co.,	5 00
17, Miss Florence F. Caldwell,	1 00
19, Mrs. S. F. Hoffman, . .	2 00
19, Mr. James L. Jenks, . .	10 00
19, Mr. Wm. W. Justice, . .	5 00
19, Miss Julia Kneedler, . .	1 00
19, Miss Annie Buchanan, . .	5 00
19, Miss Catherine W. Morris . .	2 00
19, Miss Fanny Neff Ewing, . .	2 00
20, Miss Mary L. Govers, . .	1 00
20, Mrs. E. C. Wagner, . .	5 00
20, Miss Carrie B. Beans, . .	2 00
20, Mrs. Patterson Du Bois, . .	1 00
21, Mr. W. Atlee Burpee, . .	5 00
21, Miss Elizabeth C. Parsons . .	10 00
21, Mrs. C. Howard Clark, Jr. . .	5 00
21, Mrs. Fredk. W. Schmidt, . .	5 00
21, Miss Ethel L. Sickel, . .	1 00
22, Mr. John I. Romig, . .	5 00
22, Miss Ann Silverwood, . .	50
23, Miss E. M. W.,	1 00
23, Rev. Alexander Henry, . .	2 00
24, Miss Frances A. Roberts, . .	10 00
27, Rev. Chas. S. Hamilton, . .	3 00

January, 1814.

27, Mrs. James H. Wells, . .	\$2 00
27, Miss Rose E. Lafferty, . .	5 00
27, Mrs. E. de Schweinitz, . .	2 00
28, Mr. Augustus Thomas, . .	5 00
29, Mr. Travis W. Cochran, . .	5 00
30, Mrs. Thos. Scattergood, . .	5 00
31, Mrs. Orlando Crease, . .	5 00

February, 1914.

2, Miss K. Davis,	5 00
5, Mr. Wm. P. Damon, . .	3 50
10, Mrs. Wm. P. Gest, . .	10 00
14, Miss A. Hungerbuehler, . .	2 00
14, Mrs. Effingham B. Morris . .	5 00
16, Mrs. C. M. Vanderslice, . .	5 00
17, Mr. Moyer Fleisher, . .	5 00
21, Mrs. R. B. Ellison, . .	2 00
21, Mr. Jos. G. Rosengarten, . .	10 00
25, Dr. L. Webster Fox, . .	5 00

March, 1914.

4, Mrs. Wm. Simpson, Jr. . .	5 00
6, Mrs. Thos. M. Montgomery,	5 00
6, Mrs. Clarence A. Warden, . .	2 00
9, Mrs. Clement B. Penrose, . .	20 00
18, Mrs. C. Howard Clark, Jr. . .	10 00
21, Mr. Charles H. Smith, . .	10 00
21, Mrs. Samuel M. Etting, . .	5 00

April, 1914.

6, Mrs. Isabel W. Kennedy, . .	3 00
7, Mrs. Wistar Morris, . .	5 00
7, Mrs. Craig D. Ritchie, . .	5 00
24, Mr. Thomas W. Sparks, . .	10 00
26, Miss Jessie Welles, . .	2 00

May, 1914.

11, Mrs. Horace Brock, . .	5 00
12, Mr. Wm. K. Ramborger, . .	10 00
28, Mrs. Rebecca McM. Colfelt,	5 00

June, 1914.

1, Mr. Edward G. McCollin . .	2 00
26, Mr. E. G. McCollin, . .	2 00
26, Mr. Isaac Katzenberg, . .	5 00
29, Mrs. Lonis C. Madeira, . .	5 00

July, 1914.

1, Mr. Benjamin Wolf, . .	5 00
2, Mrs. William P. Ellison, . .	5 00
8, Mrs. W. H. Gilpin, . .	5 00
8, Mr. James L. Jenks, . .	5 00
16, Mr. Thomas McKean, . .	10 00

September, 1914.

10, Mrs. Beulah M. Rhoads, . .	25 00
11, Mrs. Wm. H. Jenks, . .	5 00

October, 1914.

20, Miss Cornelia E. Cuyler,	5 00
27, Mrs. S. G. M. Manle	
(1914 and 1915) . . .	10 00

November, 1914.

9, Miss Mary W. Lippincott	\$10 00
18, Mr. T. Broom Belfield, .	10 00
18, Mr. Charles H. Smith, .	10 00

December, 1914.

30, Mr. John J. Wilkinson, .	\$5 00
31, Mr. Henry LaBarre Jayne	10 00
Total,	<u>\$644 00</u>

DIRECT SUBSCRIPTIONS.

January, 1914.

8, Mrs. W. Graham Tyler, \$5 00	
14, Miss Mary E. Santee, .	10 00
14, Miss Fanny Rosengarten	10 00
14, Mrs. Matthew Semple, .	25 00
14, Mrs. Simon Kirschbaum, .	10 00
14, Hon. John B. McPherson, .	3 00
14, Miss Mary Mueller, . .	1 00
14, Mr. P. N. Kraybill, . .	1 00
14, Mrs. J. L. Ketterlinus, .	5 00
15, Mrs. E. Randolph, . . .	5 00
16, Mr. S. W. Colton, Jr., .	10 00
16, Mr. Harrison K. Caner, .	10 00
16, Mrs. Edward S. Buckley, .	5 00
16, Rev. Charles Wood, . . .	5 00
16, Miss Edith Burt,	2 00
16, Mr. Edward P. Borden, .	5 00
16, Mr. P. H. Strubing, . . .	5 00
16, Miss A. M. C. Dupree, . .	1 00
16, Mrs. Morris Pfaelzer, . .	5 00
16, Rev. Wm. P. Finney, . . .	1 00
16, Miss A. L. Hentz,	5 00
16, Mr. Ellis D. Williams, . .	5 00
17, Mr. David Morrison, . . .	1 00
19, Mrs. Edgar F. Smith, . . .	2 00
19, Mrs. Edward H. Wilson, .	2 00
19, Anonymous (cash by mail),	1 00
20, Mr. John B. Garrett, . . .	5 00
20, Miss Mary R. Lippincott, .	5 00
20, Mr. John Cadwalader, . .	10 00
20, Mrs. Henry Poyer,	2 00
20, Miss Jane Graham Mason,	5 00
21, Mr. W. Bruce Barrow, . .	1 00
21, Hon. Alba B. Johnson, . .	10 00
21, Mr. Samuel Wagner, . . .	10 00
22, Mrs. Eli Garrett,	5 00
22, Miss Josephine L. Dunning,	5 00
23, Miss Clara E. Love,	5 00
24, Mr. Samuel Horner, Jr. .	10 00
24, Miss Emily Hinds Thomas,	10 00
26, Mrs. R. W. Lesley,	2 00
27, Mrs. H. D. Justi,	10 00
27, Rev. Chas. S. Hamilton, .	1 00
27, Mr. Herbert L. Clark, . . .	5 00
27, Mr. C. M. Clark,	25 00
27, Mr. F. P. Bartlett,	5 00
31, X Y Z,	10 00

February, 1914.

2, Mrs. Carrie Weber,	\$10 00
5, Mr. Henry Reed Hatfield,	25 00
9, N. F. L.,	10 00
9, A Friend (by mail),	4 00
13, Miss Elizabeth W. Guy, . .	5 00
13, Mrs. Theodore Mitchell Hastings,	5 00
17, Mr. C. E. d'Invilliers, . .	1 00
17, Mrs. Eunice R. Kemp (through Mrs. Rogers)	5 00
21, Mrs. Chas. S. Colbert, . . .	5 00
21, Miss Meta Vaux,	2 00
21, Hon. John B. McPherson,	5 00
24, Messrs. Strawbridge & Clothier,	5 00
24, Mr. John S. Newman, . . .	15 00
25, Mrs. Hunter Brooke,	5 00
25, Mr. John A. Brown, Jr., . .	10 00
25, Miss Meta Vaux,	3 00
27, Mrs. Andrew A. Blair, . . .	2 00
27, Mrs. James M. Earle, . . .	5 00

March, 1914.

6, Mrs. Clarence A. Warden, .	2 00
14, Mrs. J. Campbell Harris, .	5 00
14, Mrs. Louis S. Fiske,	5 00
18, Mrs. Edward Cope,	10 00
19, Miss Fogg,	5 00
20, Mr. George Harrison Fisher,	5 00
20, Mrs. J. Landman,	1 00
25, Rev. Wm. P. Finney,	50
31, Mrs. Clement A. Griscom	5 00

April, 1914.

22, Miss Mary S. Bonner, . . .	1 00
23, Miss Mary Marson (through Miss Howland),	5 00

May, 1914.

2, Miss Martha E. Howland, .	5 00
7, Mr. George Kendig,	1 00
14, Mrs. Harriet Cubberley, . .	1 00
25, Mr. O. T. Anderson,	2 00

June, 1914.

8, Miss Caroline McCready, .	5 00
26, Dr. D. Challis Faust,	1 00
29, Miss Harriet Blanchard, .	25 00

July, 1914.

1, Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Hinchman,	\$10 00
1, Miss C. Leonard,	5 00
1, Mrs. W. B. Stephenson, .	5 00
1, Mrs. Richard P. White, .	1 00
1, Miss Emma Coleman, . .	1 00
1, Mrs. William M. Coates, .	5 00
1, Mr. Louis Wolf,	5 00
1, Mrs. Henry W. Doughten .	5 00
2, Miss Rebecca Nicholson, .	5 00
2, Mrs. F. W. Sharples, . .	2 00
23, Misses Anna and Elizabeth Potts,	3 00

August, 1914.

20, Mr. John W. Berry, . . .	1 00
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September, 1914.

29, Rev. W. Gould,	5 00
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October, 1914.

14, Miss Emma H. Howell, .	1 00
17, Mrs. C. P. Turner	5 00

October, 1914.

17, Mrs. M. L. Marion, . . .	\$1 00
19, Mrs. W. H. Smith,	1 00
19, Mrs. Peter Woll, Jr., . .	1 00
20, Mrs. Robert Wilson, . . .	3 00
21, Ogontz Young Ladies' Christian Association	10 00
22, Dr. G. G. Davis,	2 00
28, Mrs. J. Milton Colton, . .	5 00

November, 1914.

13, Mrs. S. Emily Rogers and Miss Evaline W. Rogers,	5 00
17, Dr. and Mrs. Chas. Herman Thomas,	25 00
18, Miss Elma A. Worthington,	2 00

December, 1914.

29, Mr. Thomas Clark, . . .	1 00
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Total, \$602 50

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO PUBLICATION FUND.

January, 1914.

14, Dr. Reuben D. Wenrich,	\$5 00
14, Miss Mary E. Santee, . . .	10 00
14, Miss Clara L. McKee, . .	1 00
15, Mrs. E. T. Stotesbury, . .	25 00
16, Mrs. Edward S. Buckley,	5 00
16, Mrs. Samuel F. Houston,	10 00
17, Mr. G. Hamilton Colket,	5 00
17, Miss Clara Conegys, . . .	5 00
19, Mr. Wm. C. Stoevers, . . .	5 00
19, Mrs. Edward B. Jacobs, . .	10 00
19, Mrs. J. H. Brazier,	5 00
19, Mr. John Campbell Harris,	50 00
21, Miss Carrie B. Beans, . . .	3 00
21, Mrs. James M. Arrison, . .	5 00
21, Miss Jane Graham Mason,	5 00
21, Rev. Wm. Gould,	5 00
22, Miss Ann Silverwood, . . .	50
22, Mr. Paul Clayton,	5 00
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25, Miss Emily Hinds Thomas,	10 00
24, Mr. Chas. Chauncey Savage,	40 00
24, Miss Alice F. Aertson, . .	1 00
27, Rev. Chas. S. Hamilton, . .	1 00
28, Mr. Josiah Dives,	10 00

January, 1914.

28, Mrs. N. M. Alexander, . .	\$4 00
28, Mrs. Sidney W. Keith, . .	1 00
31, Mr. E. H. Wade,	5 00

February, 1914.

3, Mrs. Wm. Mellor,	3 00
3, Mr. Joseph C. Fraley, . . .	5 00
9, N. F. L.,	10 00
21, Mrs. Rodman B. Ellison,	1 00
21, Mrs. Chas. S. Colbert, . .	20 00
25, Mrs. Clement R. Stotesbury,	5 00
26, Mr. T. H. H. Patterson, . .	10 00
27, Cash through mail,	5 00

March, 1914.

6, Mrs. Clarence A. Warden,	2 00
9, Mrs. Sidney W. Keith, . . .	2 00
18, Cash (J. M. F.),	10 00
18, Mrs. Edward Cope,	10 00
25, Rev. William P. Finney . .	50

April, 1914.

3, Mrs. E. G. Leigh,	10 00
7, Miss Julia F. Nichols, . . .	20 00

May, 1914.

11, Mrs. Horace Brock,	5 00
13, Miss Sarah Newlin,	5 00

June, 1914.

29, Miss A. M. C. Dupree, . .	1 00
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October, 1914.

23, Mr. Charles Norris, . . \$50 00
28, Mr. and Mrs. Edward
Walter Clarke, . . . 50 00

November, 1914.

6, Miss Mabel E. Beers, . . 5 00

December, 1914.

8, Mrs. Wm. G. Warden, . \$25 00
9, Miss Sarah Newlin, . . 3 00
28, Mr. Wm Johnson, . . . 1 00

Total, \$500 00

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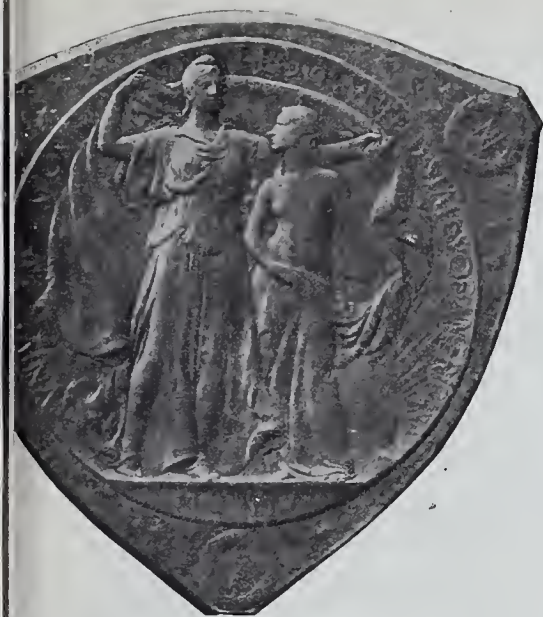
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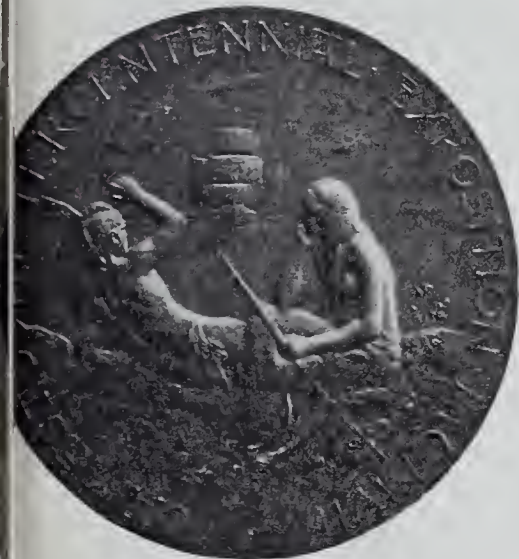
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